

Central Michigan University

Summary of Responsibilities and Authority Reserved to the Board

This chart provides references to provisions of the CMU Board of Trustees Charter, Bylaws and policies that require action by the Board itself in the governance of the University.

BOTPM is the legend for the Board of Trustees Policy Manual and it is followed by the chapter and page where the policy statement may be found. The Policy Manual may be located electronically at <http://www.emich.edu/trustees/policy-manual/default.htm>.

	PRIME REFERENCE	ADDITIONAL REFERENCES
I. RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOARD	Bylaws I, 1	
A. Appointing President		Charter V. 2 BOTPM 2-2
B. Assessing President's Performance		Bylaws I, 2.R, BOTPM 2-3
C. Clarifying Institution's mission		Bylaws I.2.A BOTPM 5-37
D. Approving long-range plans		
E. Assessing educational program		
F. Ensuring financial solvency		
G. Preserving institutional independence		
H. Maintaining the appropriate relationship between University and public		
I. Serving as court of appeal		
J. Assessing Board performance		Bylaws I,2.R BOTPM 1-16
K. Protecting and preserving assets of institution		

II. AUTHORITY RESERVED TO BOARD	Bylaws I, 2	
A. Adopting, revising or reaffirming mission, goals, objectives and priorities of institution		Bylaws I,I.C BOTPM 5-1(R) BOTPM 5-37
B. Admissions & retention policy		
C. Policy governing intercollegiate programs, including intercollegiate athletics		BOTPM 5-26
D. Approval of faculty promotions, tenure, and sabbatical leaves		
E. Compensation of president		BOTPM 2-4
F. Adoption of operating and capital outlay budget requests submitted to State		Bylaws III, 1 para 8
G. Adoption of annual plan of expenditures and revenues for University		
H. Establishing, reviewing or rescinding all fees applicable to students generally		Bylaws III, 1 para 2 BOTPM 8-29(R)
I. Acceptance of all private, state, federal, and institutional grants, and gifts to University		BOTPM 2-10(R)
J. Establishing contracting authority policy for University personnel		BOTPM 12-21
K. Appointment of University auditing firm		
L. Acceptance of annual audit of University financial report		
M. Establishing investment policies		BOTPM 11-36(R) BOTPM 12-17
N. Approval of contracts with all recognized collective bargaining units		

O. Authorization of real property and facility leases by or to University for more than one year		Bylaws III, 1 para 6&7
P. Authorization of sale and purchase of real property		
Q. Conferring of degrees and granting diplomas		BOTPM 5-7
R. Assessing periodically performance and functioning of President and Board		Bylaws I, 1.B Bylaws I, 1.J BOTPM 1-16 BOTPM 2-3
S. Adoption and modification of Board Charter and Bylaws		Charter VI, 5 Bylaws VII, 1
T. Adoption of Bylaws of CMU Development Fund Board of Directors and ratification of CMU Academic Senate Constitution		BOTPM 11-1 BOTPM 5-27
U. Establishment of endowments and decisions to return endowment gifts or to seek changes in restrictions imposed by the gift instrument		
V. Naming facilities and memorials		BOTPM 11-31(R)
W. Approval of policies pertaining to students' rights and responsibilities		BOTPM 6-2(R)
III. OTHER		
Elect officers	Charter III,2	Bylaws II, 1
Remove officers	Charter III,5	
Establish standing & special committees	Charter IV, 1 & 2	Bylaws IV, 1 & 2
Establish schedule of regular formal sessions of Board	Bylaws V, 1	

Authorize persons who may lobby for University	BOTPM 2-8	
Determine policies and procedures for political activity of staff members	BOTPM 3-4	
Award Emeritus Rank	BOTPM 3-16	
Determine style and signature on diplomas; Board Chair to sign diplomas	BOTPM 5-7	
Right to change room and board rates	BOTPM 8-25(R)	
Statute authorizing Board to enact, enforce parking, traffic, and pedestrian ordinances	BOTPM 9-2	
Ratify University Development Fund: Guidelines on fundraising, gifts and other contributions	BOTPM 11-28	
Direct where earnings of the CMU Fund are to be expended	BOTPM 11-49	
Establish policy regarding bank and investment accounts and delegate transaction processing authority	BOTPM 12-1(R)	
Finance Committee and its Chair and Board Chair are heavily involved in Internal Audit function	BOTPM 12-9	
Adopt chartering policies for public school academies	BOTPM 13-5(R)	
Issue charter contracts with unlimited terms	BOTPM 13-15	
Adopt Non-Discrimination Policy	BOTPM 13-18	

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